

Stratford Town Crier

Town Crier, January 22, 2022

Public Information, Notices and Meeting Schedules

COVID-19 IMPACT TO CITY SERVICES AND FACILITIES UPDATE

In keeping with recent guidance from the Province of Ontario, the City of Stratford has implemented the following changes to help limit the spread of COVID-19:

- City administrative offices will be open by appointment only
- Services will continue to be provided by telephone and online where possible
- City recreational facilities, including the Rotary Complex, Agriplex, Allman Arena and Dufferin Arena, are closed to the public
- To purchase affordable bus passes or garbage bag tags, please contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237. Your order will then be delivered the following business day.
- There are no changes at this time to transit, landfill, waste and recycling collection services
- Civil ceremony services have been suspended until further notice

Questions can be directed to the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250 extension 5237, and an intercom system is also available at City Hall, the Annex Building at 82 Erie Street and the Cemetery office.

Please visit www.stratford.ca for more information about our programs and services.

NO OVERNIGHT PARKING (2AM-6AM)

Drivers are reminded that overnight parking in the City of Stratford is not permitted on any roadway, shoulder, or City parking lot between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless otherwise designated. This is even more important during significant snowfall events to ensure that City snow-plow operators can safely and efficiently clear roads.

Stratford Police Services enforce this restriction and should be contacted if there is an overnight parking situation at the non-emergency line of 519-271-4141.

For additional information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 519-271-0250, extension 5230.

2022 BUDGET MEETINGS

The Finance and Labour Relations Committee will meet on the following dates and times to formulate recommendations to City Council regarding the 2022 budget.

Date	Time	
January 25, 2022	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
January 31, 2022	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation

The meetings will be held electronically. To watch the meeting while in progress, please click the link that will be available on the agenda.

Agendas and minutes of the meeting will be posted as available to the City website under the Council Calendar at <https://calendar.stratford.ca/meetings>.

If you have any questions regarding the 2022 budget process, please contact us by phone at 519-271-0250 Extension 5202, or by email at wpartridge@stratford.ca.

2022 PET TAGS

All dogs and cats in Stratford are required to wear a registration tag at all times. Dog and cat tag registrations expire each year on December 31 and are renewed annually to ensure your pet's information is up to date.

2022 pet tags are now available and can be purchased from the following locations:

- Stratford-Perth Humane Society, 125 Griffith Road
- Clerks Office, City Hall 1 Wellington Street
- Ruffin's Pet Centre Stratford Mall, 1067 Ontario Street
- Global Pet Foods, 684 Ontario Street
- Coventry Animal Hospital, 535 Huron Street
- Avon Pet Hospital, 345 Douro Street
- Perth Veterinary Services, 80 Lorne Avenue West
- Romeo Pet Hospital, 782 Downie Street

Please note that City Hall is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19 restrictions. Paperwork can be completed over the phone and a tag mailed out or picked up at the back doors. Call our office to complete the paperwork and make payment with a credit card, 519-271-0250 extension 5237.

Thank you for being a responsible pet owner and obtaining a 2022 pet tag.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY INCOME TAX CLINIC

Serving low income residents of the City of Stratford, Town of St. Marys and County of Perth Complimentary Services for current year tax returns provided by:

BDO Canada LLP
Famme & Co. Professional Corporation
McCutchen & Pearce Professional Corporation

Total annual gross income restrictions to participate:

- Single - \$28,000 or less
- Couple - \$32,500 or less

Disability income received should be included in your total gross income. Please ensure you are within the limits stated.

Participants should bring Photo ID and the following if applicable:

- T4s, T5s
- Rent Receipts and/or Property Tax Receipts
- Medical Receipts
- Donation Receipts Disability Form (T2201)
- Date of Entry to Canada

You must register in advance by Tuesday, March 8, 2022, by contacting the Social Services Clerks at 519-271-3773 Extension 278, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Coordinated by the City of Stratford, Social Services Department

MEETING SCHEDULE

Jan 24	Committee of the Whole In-camera	CANCELLED	
Jan 24	Regular Council and Standing Committees	7:00 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 25	Finance and Labour Relations Committee	5:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 26	Infrastructure, Transportation & Safety Sub-committee	4:30 p.m.	Electronic Participation
Jan 27	Planning and Heritage Sub-committee	CANCELLED	

Given the COVID-19 Pandemic and the declared emergency, the City will be posting a video of the meeting to our website once available. Agendas and a link to watch the meeting while in progress can be accessed from the City's website.

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